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A six-page report on the military printing works and the printing research
institute in Lvov

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The report includes information about both establishments
concerning physical layout, functions, organizational structure and some of
the more important employees.

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Military Printing Works

1. The printing works of the Carpathian Military District was located on Lermontova ulitsa, a side road of the former Akademicka ulitsa, in Lvov. It occupied a four-story building which also housed the editorial offices of the Stalinskoye Znamia army newspaper (until 1954/1955 Slava Rodinie).

2. The entrance, which was on Lermontova ulitsa, was usually guarded by civilians, but there was an additional military guard on public holidays. [redacted] details of the layout of the printing works [redacted]

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a. The printing department (rotatsionnoye otdelenie), a store containing paper and printed matter, was located on the ground floor.

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- b. The administrative offices, the type setting shop (zetsernia), and the cadre department were located on the first floor.
 - c. The zincography department and the editorial offices of the Stalinskoye Znamia were located on the second floor.
 - d. The binding department and some offices of the newspaper were located on the third floor.
3. In 1954, the printing works employed about one hundred workers, of whom one-third were military personnel and two-thirds civilians. It operated in three shifts. The editorial offices of the army newspaper employed military personnel only; its editorial board included senior officers and was headed by a general. The paper, which was printed at night, appeared daily except Sundays and had a circulation of 40,000. It was intended for the Carpathian Military District.
4. In addition to the newspaper, various military forms were printed, none of which was secret (types of forms unknown). The matrices of the central army newspaper, Krasnaya Zvezda, were brought daily from Moscow and printed at the works.

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5. The works contains five linotype machines, a matrix press, and a casting plant for matrix plates but, due to lack of space, could accommodate only parts of a complete printing press, a product of the Shcherbakovsk (formerly Ribinsk) Factory.

Printing Research Institute

6. The Ukrainian Printing Industry Scientific Research Institute (Ukrainskiy Nauchno Isledovatel'skiy Institut Poligraficheskoy Promishlennosti - UNIIPP) in Lvov carried out research on new printing techniques and provided technical aid to printing works throughout the republic. It occupied two buildings. The central building was located at 49 Leninskaya ulitsa (formerly Tyczakowska). It contained the administrative offices, the library, the carpentry and metalwork shops, and laboratories for the following: printing processes (laboratoria pechatnikh protsesov); photomechanical (laboratoria fotomekhanicheskaya); binding materials; galvanizing processes; chemical; ^{and} radiotechnical (?). The other building, located at 4 Gogol ulitsa, housed a small printing works, metal workshops, the design office, a chemical laboratory, and a store.

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7. The institute was subordinate to the Ukrainian Ministry of Culture, which provided its budget. Prior to 1955, the institute lacked sufficient financial support, and most of its equipment was obsolescent. In 1955, however, it was allocated a budget large enough to renew its laboratory equipment, double its staff, and develop its research activities.
8. In addition to providing practical instruction ^{to} of the Ukrainian printing works, the institute, the only one of its kind in the republic, aided porcelain plants and phonograph record companies by carrying out research into all matters connected with printing on china and various types of bakelite.
9. The photomechanical laboratory carried out research on polyvinyl spirit as a copying layer (poliviniloviy spirt v kachestve kopirovalnovo sloya), block processing in a single solution (sposob travlenia klism v odnom rastvore), and preparing a metachromatype by offset printing, for transferring drawings onto porcelain. The equipment in this laboratory consisted of the following:
 - a. A 7-8-meter-long and 2-meter-wide horizontal camera.
 - b. A darkroom equipped with a densitometer.
 - c. An offset (printing) press.
 - d. A machine for acid processing of printing blocks.

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10. The printing processes laboratory carried out research on the replacement of gelatine rollers (zhelatinoviye valiki) by rubber rollers, and dry offset printing. This laboratory contained a roller machine (valtse varka) and a Brinella press for hardness tests.

11. The following persons were reported:

a. Mikhaylenko (fnu), director of the military printing works at Lvov since 1953, [redacted]

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b. Major Sagalovskiy (fnu), director of the military printing works until 1953, [redacted]

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c. Major Tokarev (fnu), military correspondent of the Stalinskoye Znamia, [redacted]

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d. Major Grishchenko (fnu), member of the editorial of the above newspaper, [redacted]

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e. Mikhail Danilovich Daneletskiy, director of the printing industry research institute, [redacted]

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- f. Anna Aleksandrovna Bolotina, secretary of
the above institute, [REDACTED]

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- g. Olga Markovna Levina, executive secretary
of the above institute, [REDACTED]

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- h. Vasiliy Dorofeyevich Glushko, deputy director
of the above institute and a candidate of
technical sciences, [REDACTED]

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- i. Vladimir Kelmanovich Ginglin, director of
the galvanizing processes laboratory and a
candidate of technical sciences, [REDACTED]

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- j. Maria Gustavna Patak, director of the binding
materials laboratory and a candidate of tech-
nical sciences, [REDACTED]

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